

# **A SERIAL PROTOCOL FOR EFFICIENT MESSAGING BETWEEN HOST AND INTELLIGENT DAUGHTERCARDS OVER A SERIAL LINK**

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## **ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE**

A method and apparatus for implementing host management of an intelligent daughtercard utilizes a high-speed serial link and a defined plurality of serial protocol  
10 commands to provide high bandwidth control path for management of daughtercard memory and application specific initialization and/or configuration changes.